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Dear Parents/Carers,

Blakehill Health Week

This week the whole school has been involved in activities to help raise an awareness and promote Healthy Lifestyles including: participating in fitness classes, devising healthy eating menus and participating in the 'Daily Mile' initiative. We have had the pleasure of numerous visitors coming into school to help motivate and enthuse the children, and parents have also taken up the opportunity to participate in activities with their children. Special thanks are extended to health professionals: Steve O'Brien(Kents), Steve Wilson (Bolton Villas), Emmeline Chellam(parent) and Darren Tetley (boxer) who provided Health and Fitness sessions throughout the week. The Telegraph and Argus also ran a feature about Blakehill's Health Week earlier this week. Today, as a finale to Health Week, we held a Roadshow which included a 'cook off' between Mrs. Gould and her team of 'red chillies' and Mrs. Russel and her team of 'green peas.'

In and amongst this, the good weather allowed us to have three very successful Sport's Days this week which, as ever, was well supported by parents and other family members. The children showed great sportsmanship and have thoroughly enjoyed the events of the week. Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the success of this, in particular Mrs. Gould and Mrs. Russell for organising the event and our kitchen staff who have ensured that daily menus gave the children the opportunity to sample foods from other countries.

British Values Day

On Friday 23 June, school is celebrating 'being British' and will be promoting British values. As part of this celebration, the children are being asked to wear the national colours of red, white and blue on the day. The school kitchen will be serving a traditional fish, chips and mushy peas for lunch.

Online Learning Homework

All children will be coming home on Monday with an envelope containing details about online home-based learning provided by Exemplar Education. The programme provides additional English and Maths support and are a great way for pupils to access age/ability appropriate learning at home. There is no obligation for parents to take up the offer however we are asking that the slip attached to one of the forms is returned to school to indicate interest.

Year 1 Visit

Children in Year 1 enjoyed a great day at Rodley Nature Reserve this week and were able to participate in a wide range of activities including pond-dipping, a mini-beast hunt and a talk on bees. Thank you to all staff and parents who organised and accompanied the children on their visit.

Social and Emotional Support – Workshop for Parents

Andrew Whitehead, special educational needs (SEN) consultant is leading a workshop in school on Wednesday 5 July between 1.00pm – 3.00pm, for any parent who feels that their child struggles with social skills, has difficulty managing emotions or may be on the Autistic spectrum. It is also available for anyone who is interested in finding out more about how to support children in this area. Everyone is welcome to attend. For more details or to book a free place at the workshop, please contact either Mrs. Pinder or the school office.



Parent Open Days

A reminder that school is holding a series of 'Open Days' on **Tuesday 4th July and Thursday 6th July**. All parents are welcome to attend and should arrive at school at **9:00am** for refreshments before a brief introduction then a tour of the school. We are hoping that it will give parents the opportunity to see the school 'at work' and gain an understanding of the school's values, ethos and aims. Could parents please notify the office by **Monday 3 July** if they are interested in attending.

Sainsbury Vouchers

A massive thank you to everyone who donated their Sainsbury Vouchers to school. We collected a grand total of 8,000 which was double the total of last year and will go towards providing additional playtime equipment for our children!

Water Safety Competition

Well done to Theo Davids (3R) who won free swimming lessons after he came first place in a competition to design a water safety poster. Well done Theo!

PTFA

Thank you to our PTFA who successfully ran the Father's Day Stall in school today. All events take a great deal of planning and preparation and the school is extremely lucky to have a dedicated and committed team of volunteers who work hard to raise funds for our school.

A reminder that The Summer Fair is on **Saturday 24th June, 1:00pm -3:00pm**. Raffle tickets have been sent home and we know that many have been sold already. Please can we urge people to sell as many as possible – these are always a great money generator!

There will be a lot to do on the day and if anyone can offer help in setting up or running a stall please contact the school office.

Year 6 Diary Dates

This is a very busy time for our Year 6 pupils who are getting ready to move onto their secondary schools after the Summer term. Class teachers will continue to provide information about key dates and events this term.

Year 6 Prom: CHANGE OF DATE from Tuesday 11 July 6:30pm-8:00pm to **Monday 17 July 6:30-8:00pm**

Year 6 Leaver's assembly: Tuesday, 18 July, 6:00pm

Year 6 Pupil SAT results: week commencing **Monday 10 July**

Year 6 Transition Day

Parents of children in Year 6 please note that Transition day for all Bradford schools is **Wednesday 5 July**. You should have already received details of this from your child's secondary school. If you need further information, please contact secondary schools directly. Children need to make their own way to their secondary schools on that day.

Robinwood 2017

Good luck to our Year 6 children who visit the Robinwood Activity Centre in Todmorden for their final residential at Blakehill next week. The children have a full and varied timetable of activities planned for their 3-day visit including: archery, canoeing, zip wire and raft building. The coach will leave school on **Wednesday, 21 June**, returning on **Friday 23 June** with what will be, extremely exhausted but excited children.

New Reception Parents Meeting

There will be a meeting on **Wednesday 21 of June at 6.00pm** for parents with children who will be new to Blakehill in September 2017. We look forward to meeting with you.



Your child's end of year report will be sent out on **Friday 7 July**. You will receive information regarding your child's progress, attainment, behaviour, attendance and effort during the last academic year. A letter informing parents of the new assessment arrangements will accompany the reports. As always, we welcome your feedback and a reply slip will be available for you to make comments if you should wish to do so.

Some parents may wish to have selected work completed by their child sent home at the end of the school year. If you wish to have work sent home, please send a request letter to your child's class teacher by **Friday 14th July** and this will be arranged.

16 June: 2S 23 June: 3R 30 June: 3P 7 July: RG 14 July: RD

Class	5 and 12 June
6S	Ruby Tallant and Laaibah Khan
6R	Sam Ledgard and Isabella Rawson
5R	Elliot Storton and Jaya Bhandal
5H	Ben Noble and Hayden Pringle
4Lo	The Whole class and Isabelle Vant
4L	Jasmine Rodriguez and Ethan Blackwell
3P	Lillie Daglan and Bethany Gibson
3R	Avroop Dhillon and Ellie Sherriff
2S	Mollie Vant and Amber Stoneman
2P	The whole class and Kayden Lee
1W	Ava Juryta and Sahar Abbas
1P	Harrison Keep and Kairo Pitt
RG	Safa Khan and Maisy Does
RD	James Chellam and Kobe Banks

Class Attendance trophy winners 5 June: 5H with 99.3%
12 June RD with 99.7%

Yours sincerely

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Head of School

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